Bibliography of Ecological Survey Reports, Department of Conservation, Forests and Lands, 1983 to August 1989

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For the past seven years, flora and fauna surveys have been conducted in forest blocks where less than half of the estimated timber volume had been removed, before any further harvesting of timber. The results from these surveys are published by the Department of Conservation, Forests and Lands (CFL) as a series of Ecological Survey Reports, commonly known as "pre-logging" reports. By August 1989, 24 reports had been published for forest blocks in East Gippsland, north-east Victoria, the Alpine area, Central Highlands and the Grampians.

In addition to their immediate relevance to forest management, these reports contain a wealth of biological information on plant species, vegetation communities, mammals, birds, frogs and reptiles. They include data from more than 1,800 vegetation quadrats, 25,000 mammal-trapnights, 930 bat-trap-nights, 500 spotlighthours, 2,200 scat analyses, over 1,100 bird censuses, and about 5,000 pitfall-bucketnights. This data is used to describe vegetation communities and to determine significant sites and species.

This bibliography lists all reports published before August 1989. Survey areas in eastern Victoria are shown in Figure 1. Reports 15 and 22 are for the Grampians National Park in western Victoria and report 30 is for the Acheron Forest Block in the Central Highlands. Nine more reports are in preparation. Most reports can be purchased, for \$10 each, from the CFL bookshop at 240 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne. They are available for perusal at the relevant regional information centre and at major libraries in Melbourne.

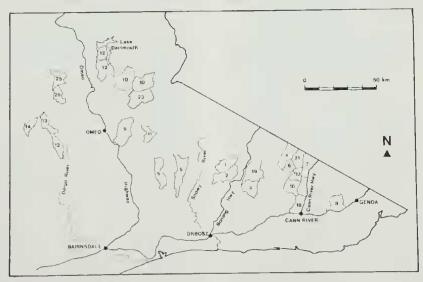


Fig. 1. Forest blocks in eastern Victoria for which Ecological Survey Reports have been published. Numbers refer to the publication number of the reports.

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